11/13/84 S5925-5 A

STATE LABOR SUMMARY

SEPTEMBER, 1984

NORTH CAROLINA

JOB SERVICE

PREPARED BY

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION OF NORTH CAROLINA
AFFILIATED WITH THE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

IN COOPERATION WITH

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

For more information regarding Labor Market Information, you may contact:

Labor Market Information Division
Employment Security Commission of North Carolina
700 Wade Avenue
Post Office Box 25903
Raleigh, North Carolina 27611

Telephone: (919) 733-2936

NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
September, 1984

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT SUSTAINS NOTICEABLE LOSS: North Carolina's total employment was estimated to be 2,879,900 in mid-September of this year. That figure represented a net over-the-month drop of 9,600 persons (-0.3 percent). Two of the three main employment segments suffered monthly declines. Agricultural employment continued its seasonal cutbacks with the reduction of 31,100 workers (-29.1 percent). Also, the "all other" nonagricultural employment category fell by 6,500 people (-2.2 percent) over the month. However, those losses were partially offset by the strong gain of 28,000 workers (+1.1 percent) in nonagricultural wage and salary employment.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXHIBITS MODEST GROWTH: In the middle of September, 1984, manufacturing employment in the State was estimated to be 815,200. That was a net over-the-month gain of only 1,300 workers (+0.2 percent). The durable goods segment, however, lost 200 people (-0.1 percent) as four of its industry groups registered declines. The two largest occurred in lumber and wood and nonelectrical machinery, both down by 400. On the positive side, transportation equipment added 500 workers (+2.7 percent) and primary metals increased by 200 persons (+1.9 percent). The nondurable goods segment experienced a net monthly increase of 1,500 people (+0.3 percent), primarily due to the strong seasonal growth of 2,300 workers (+9.4 percent) in tobacco manufacturing. That gain was somewhat offset by the loss of 800 persons (-0.9 percent) in apparel and related products.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT UP SHARPLY OVER THE MONTH: Statewide nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,699,900 in mid-September of this year. That figure represented a significant net monthly surge of 50,900 (+3.1 percent). The main reason for that growth was the seasonal climb of 50,100 workers (+13.4 percent) in government. Also, trade enjoyed a good increase of 2,000 persons (+0.4 percent) over the month.

MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING RISE OVER THE YEAR: Manufacturing employment added 11,100 workers (+1.4 percent) from September, 1983, to September, 1984. The four industry groups with the largest net gains were electrical machinery (+6,100), nonelectrical machinery (+4,100), rubber and miscellaneous plastic products (+3,700), and furniture and fixtures (+1,600). Nonmanufacturing employment grew by 56,800 people (+3.5 percent) over the year as all of its industry groups displayed increases. These were the four largest: trade (+22,000), service and miscellaneous (+11,700), government (+10,400), and construction (+7,600).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES MEASURABLE INCREASE: North Carolina's total unemployment was estimated to be 193,600 as of mid-September, 1984. That was a net over-the-month gain of 5,800 people (+3.1 percent). Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment rose from 6.1 percent in August to 6.3 percent in September. The unemployment situation is still much better than one year ago (September, 1983) when there were 217,600 persons out of work for a rate of 7.4 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 7.1 percent in September, 1984, 7.3 percent in August, 1984, and 8.8 percent twelve months ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.4 percent this September, 7.5 percent in August, and 9.3 percent in September of 1983.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

September, 1984

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	Sept. 2/ 1984	Aug. 3/ 1984	Sept. 1983	Aug., 1984		Sept., 1983	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	3,073,500	3,077,300	2,956,300	- 3,800	- 0.1	+117,200	+ 4.0
Employment, Total	2,879,900	2,889,500	2,738,700	- 9,600	- 0.3	+141,200	+ 5.2
Agricultural Employment	75,900	107,000	81,600	-31,100	-29.1	- 5,700	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,512,200	2,484,200	2,357,600	+28,000	+ 1.1	+154,600	+ 6.6
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	291,800	298,300	299,500	- 6,500	- 2.2	- 7,700	- 2.6
Unemployment, Total	193,600	187,800	217,600	+ 5,800	+ 3.1	- 24,000	-11.0
State Unadjusted Rate	6.3	6.1	7.4	+ 0.2	XXX	- 1.1	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.1	7.3	8.8	- 0.2	XXX	- 1.7	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.4	7.5	9.3	- 0.1	XXX	- 1.9	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1983 benchmark revisions. Compiled by Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with USDOL, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
2/ Preliminary Estimates.
3/ Revised Estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

HOURLY EARNINGS RISE WHILE HOURS WORKED FALL: From the middle of August to middle of September, 1984, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees grew by 5¢ an hour (+0.7 percent) to $7.07. Also, that was a net over-the-year gain of 37¢ an hour (+5.5 percent). The durable goods segment enjoyed a good net over-the-month increase of 6¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to reach $7.34 this September. During the past twelve months, the durable goods sector has added 41¢ an hour (+5.9 percent). The durable goods industry which experienced the largest net over-the-month growth was nonelectrical machinery, up by 19¢ an hour (+2.3 percent) to hit $8.43. That was followed by fabricated metal products, which rose by 8¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) to a level of $7.85 in September, 1984. The nondurable goods segment displayed a modest net monthly increase of 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) to $6.90 this September. Over the year, the nondurable goods sector advanced by 33¢ an hour (+5.0 percent). Printing and publishing led the way again in nondurables with a net monthly jump of 11¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to $7.98. Paper and allied products was next, increasing by 9¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to $10.79 in September of this year. From mid-August to mid-September, 1984, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers fell slightly (-84¢) to $278.56. The present level is $3.86 (+1.4 percent) above twelve months ago. Average weekly hours stood at 39.4 in September, 1984, down by 0.4 of an hour over the month and by 1.6 hours over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 314.5 in September, 1984, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That figure represented an over-the-month gain of 0.5 percent and an over-the-year increase of 4.2 percent. The category which recorded the largest monthly surge was "other" goods and services, the cost of which jumped by 2.4 percent from August to September. That was followed by apparel and upkeep, which rose by 2.0 percent over the month. Housing was a distant third, up by 0.6 percent. The only group to enjoy a monthly decline was food and beverages, down by 0.2 percent. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, fell to 31.8¢ in September, 1984.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES IN SEPTEMBER: As of September 30, 1984, there were 157,638 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices accross the State. That was a net over-the-month decrease of 7,869 people (-4.8 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine which had 97,017 or 61.6 percent of the total. Next came the twenty-one and under segment with 26,376 or 16.7 percent. The lowest number of active applicants occurred in the fifty-five and over category which had 8,207 or just 5.2 percent of the total. Females comprised 50.6 percent of the total with a count of 79,705. Moreover, whites who were not Hispanic made up the largest ethnic group with 90,198 or 57.3 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of September 30, 1984.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

September 30, 1984

	Number	Percent
Total	157,638	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	26,376	16.7
22-39	97,017	61.6
40-54	26,038	16.5
55 and Over	8,207	5.2
Sex		
Male	77,933	49.4
Female	79,705	50.6
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	90,198	57.3
Black, not Hispanic	63,098	40.0
Hispanic	1,463	0.9
American Indian and Alaskan Native	1,792	1.1
Other Races and Undetermined	1,087	0.7
Eligible Claimant	55,684	35.3
Veteran	29,108	18.5
Handicapped	8,930	5.7
Seasonal Farmworker	3,564	2.3

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS DECREASES OVER THE MONTH: During September, 1984, there were 25,974 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. That was a net monthly drop of 6,110 (-19.0 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (21,169 or 81.5 percent). The occupational category with the largest number of job openings received in September was farming, fishing, and forestry with 6,097, all of which were filled. The service category followed with 3,453 job openings received and 2,641 or 76.5 percent filled. A close third was the miscellaneous group which had 3,389 job openings received and 2,962 or 87.4 percent filled. Once again sales had the smallest number of job openings received for the month with only 711; however, the majority was filled (444 or 62.4 percent). There were 96,327 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1984

through September 30, 1984. A good percentage of those job openings was filled (80.6 percent or 77,606). There were 18,306 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of September 30, 1984. Most of those job openings (11,370 or 62.1 percent) were classified as hard-to-fill because they had remained open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on North Carolina's job openings in September, 1984.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

Occupation	September, 1984		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Sept. 30, 1984	
	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	772	340	3,072	1,468	1,468	1,013
Clerical	2,674	1,856	8,670	5,730	2,293	1,308
Sales	711	444	2,161	1,115	1,003	677
Service	3,453	2,641	12,914	9,535	3,188	2,047
Domestic	235	195	876	744	101	63
Other Services	3,218	2,446	12,038	8,791	3,087	1,984
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	6,097	6,554	32,461	31,575	248	181
Processing	1,290	1,132	3,374	3,034	838	615
Machine Trades	1,574	1,235	5,264	3,827	1,566	1,029
Bench Work	3,099	1,877	7,822	5,837	2,703	1,316
Structural Work	2,915	2,128	10,548	7,449	3,060	1,963
Miscellaneous	3,389	2,962	10,041	8,036	1,939	1,221
Motor Freight and Trans.	505	298	1,710	1,000	569	340
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,805	2,619	8,096	6,894	1,283	831
Other	79	45	235	142	87	50
Total	25,974	21,169	96,327	77,606	18,306	11,370

1/ July 1, 1984, through September 30, 1984.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,515.1	2,462.9	2,447.2	+ 2.1	+ 2.8
MANUFACTURING	815.2	813.9	804.1	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
DURABLE GOODS	320.7	320.9	305.6	- 0.06	+ 4.9
Lumber & Wood Products	35.1	35.5	35.9	- 1.1	- 2.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.0	13.2	13.4	- 1.5	- 3.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.7	8.8	8.4	- 1.1	+ 3.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.8	4.2	- 2.6	-11.9
Furniture & Fixtures	81.8	81.9	80.2	- 0.1	+ 2.0
Household Furniture	72.2	72.5	71.8	- 0.4	+ 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.8	37.0	36.8	- 0.5	0
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.1	31.0	30.4	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.9	18.9	17.9	0	+ 5.6
Structural Clay Products	2.8	2.8	2.5	0	+12.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.9	5.0	4.7	- 2.0	+ 4.3
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.6	9.5	+ 1.9	+13.7
Fabricated Metal Products	24.7	24.8	24.3	- 0.4	+ 1.6
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.4	8.4	8.6	0	- 2.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.4	54.8	50.3	- 0.7	+ 8.2
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.1	7.6	- 1.2	+ 5.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.6	60.5	54.5	+ 0.2	+11.2
Household Appliances	6.0	6.0	6.1	0	- 1.6
Transportation Equipment	19.3	18.8	17.8	+ 2.7	+ 8.4
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.1	15.1	15.2	0	- 0.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	494.5	493.0	498.5	+ 0.3	- 0.8
Food & Kindred Products	45.0	44.7	44.1	+ 0.7	+ 2.0
Meat Products	17.7	17.8	16.6	- 0.6	+ 6.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.0	7.9	+ 1.3	+ 2.5
Beverages	6.7	6.7	6.6	0	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	26.8	24.5	26.1	+ 9.4	+ 2.7
Cigarettes	18.5	18.6	18.3	- 0.5	+ 1.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.6	5.1	7.1	+49.0	+ 7.0
Textile Mill Products	217.9	217.9	227.4	0	- 4.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	60.1	59.5	64.1	+ 1.0	- 6.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	31.1	30.4	34.4	+ 2.3	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.9	28.9	29.5	0	- 2.0
Knitting Mills	76.9	77.3	80.4	- 0.5	- 4.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.7	23.1	23.1	- 1.7	- 1.7
Hosiery, NEC	22.2	22.4	23.0	- 0.9	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.8	14.0	15.1	- 1.4	- 8.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.1	7.0	7.0	+ 1.4	+ 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.2	14.8	- 0.7	- 4.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	53.7	53.9	55.1	- 0.4	- 2.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.9	87.7	87.2	- 0.9	- 0.3
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.7	28.1	27.4	- 1.4	+ 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.8	41.1	41.3	- 0.7	- 1.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.4	22.1	0	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.8	10.7	- 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.2	7.1	+ 1.4	+ 2.8
Printing & Publishing	23.6	23.4	22.2	+ 0.9	+ 6.3
Newspapers	9.2	9.2	8.6	0	+ 7.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.4	37.8	37.7	- 1.1	- 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.4	13.7	13.9	- 2.2	- 3.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	30.0	30.1	26.3	- 0.3	+14.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	-16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1,699.9	1,649.0	1,643.1	+ 3.1	+ 3.5
MINING	4.5	4.6	4.4	- 2.2	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	125.8	126.3	118.2	- 0.4	+ 6.4
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	124.0	123.8	121.5	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.6	63.1	61.4	+ 0.8	+ 3.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.1	55.4	54.9	- 0.5	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	536.7	534.7	514.7	+ 0.4	+ 4.3
Wholesale Trade	126.5	126.4	121.7	+ 0.1	+ 3.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.5	74.4	70.8	+ 0.1	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.0	52.0	50.9	0	+ 2.2
Retail Trade	410.2	408.3	393.0	+ 0.5	+ 4.4
General Merchandise Stores	55.7	56.0	53.5	- 0.5	+ 4.1
Variety Stores	11.7	11.7	11.5	0	+ 1.7
Food Stores	66.0	65.2	65.0	+ 1.2	+ 1.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	104.1	104.9	101.6	- 0.8	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	380.5	380.5	368.8	0	+ 3.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	24.5	25.1	21.7	- 2.4	+12.9
Personal Services	24.5	24.4	22.8	+ 0.4	+ 7.5
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.2	10.0	- 1.0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	424.3	374.2	413.9	+13.4	+ 2.5
Federal	50.4	50.5	50.0	- 0.2	+ 0.8
State	122.7	116.0	119.1	+ 5.8	+ 3.0
Education	62.5	55.7	603	+ 12.2	+ 3.6
Other	60.2	60.3	58.8	- 0.2	+ 2.4
Local	251.2	207.7	244.8	+20.9	+ 2.6
Education	138.8	93.1	134.1	+49.1	+ 3.5
Other	112.4	114.6	110.7	- 1.9	+ 1.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2492.9	2487.5	2425.4	+ 0.2	+ 2.8
MANUFACTURING	808.2	810.8	797.6	- 0.3	+ 1.3
DURABLE GOODS	319.0	321.2	304.0	- 0.7	+ 4.9
Lumber & Wood Products	34.6	35.0	35.4	- 1.1	- 2.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.9	13.1	13.3	- 1.5	- 3.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.6	8.7	8.2	- 1.1	+ 4.9
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.7	4.1	- 2.7	-12.2
Furniture & Fixtures	81.7	83.1	80.1	- 1.7	+ 2.0
Household Furniture	72.1	73.3	71.7	- 1.6	+ 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.3	36.9	36.4	- 1.6	- 0.3
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.2	30.5	0	+ 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.6	18.8	17.6	- 1.1	+ 5.7
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.4	0	+12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.8	4.9	4.6	- 2.0	+ 4.3
Primary Metal Industries	10.8	10.5	9.5	+ 2.9	+13.7
Fabricated Metal Products	24.4	24.7	24.0	- 1.2	+ 1.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.3	8.3	8.5	0	- 2.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	54.5	54.8	50.4	- 0.5	+ 8.1
Special Industry Machinery	8.0	8.1	7.6	- 1.2	+ 5.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	60.0	60.4	54.0	- 0.7	+11.1
Household Appliances	5.5	5.6	5.6	- 1.8	- 1.8
Transportation Equipment	19.3	18.8	17.8	+ 2.7	+ 8.4
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.1	15.1	15.2	0	- 0.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	489.2	489.6	493.6	- 0.1	- 0.9
Food & Kindred Products	44.3	44.2	43.5	+ 0.2	+ 1.8
Meat Products	17.6	17.7	16.5	- 0.6	+ 6.7
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.9	0	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.0	7.8	+ 1.2	+ 3.8
Beverages	6.7	6.5	6.6	+ 3.1	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.1	22.8	23.5	+ 5.7	+ 2.6
Cigarettes	18.8	18.5	18.6	+ 1.6	+ 1.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.5	3.8	4.2	+18.4	+ 7.1
Textile Mill Products	216.8	217.2	226.4	- 0.2	- 4.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	59.9	59.5	63.8	+ 0.7	- 6.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	31.4	30.6	34.7	+ 2.6	- 9.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.6	28.9	29.2	- 1.0	- 2.1
Knitting Mills	76.4	76.8	79.9	- 0.5	- 4.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.7	23.0	23.1	- 1.3	- 1.7
Hosiery, NEC	22.1	22.1	22.9	0	- 3.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.9	14.1	15.2	- 1.4	- 8.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.0	7.0	6.9	0	+ 1.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.1	14.1	14.8	0	- 4.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	53.5	53.6	54.9	- 0.2	- 2.6

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984 (Thous)	August 1984 (Thous)	September 1983 (Thous)	August 1984	September 1983
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.0	87.2	86.3	- 1.4	- 0.3
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.3	27.8	27.0	- 1.8	+ 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	40.6	40.8	41.1	- 0.5	- 1.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.5	22.1	- 0.4	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.9	10.7	- 1.8	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.3	7.1	0	+ 2.8
Printing & Publishing	23.9	23.8	22.5	+ 0.4	+ 6.2
Newspapers	9.3	9.3	8.7	0	+11.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.6	37.8	37.9	- 0.5	- 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.7	14.1	- 0.7	- 3.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.6	29.6	26.0	0	+13.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.5	4.5	5.4	0	-16.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1684.7	1676.7	1627.8	+ 0.5	+ 3.5
MINING	4.5	4.6	4.4	- 2.2	+ 2.3
CONSTRUCTION	122.0	121.1	114.7	+ 0.7	+ 6.4
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	123.6	123.4	121.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	63.3	63.2	61.0	+ 0.2	+ 3.8
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.3	55.0	55.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	531.4	529.2	509.3	+ 0.4	+ 4.3
Wholesale Trade	123.6	123.7	118.8	- 0.1	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade--Durable Goods	74.6	74.1	70.9	+ 0.7	+ 5.2
Wholesale Trade--Nondurable Goods	49.0	49.6	47.9	- 1.2	+ 2.3
Retail Trade	407.8	405.5	390.5	+ 0.6	+ 4.4
General Merchandise Stores	56.4	56.6	54.2	- 0.4	+ 4.1
Variety Stores	11.8	11.7	11.6	+ 0.9	+ 1.7
Food Stores	65.3	64.9	64.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	103.8	103.9	101.3	- 0.1	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	376.7	372.6	364.9	+ 1.1	+ 3.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	23.4	21.6	20.7	+ 8.3	+13.0
Personal Services	25.0	24.9	23.2	+ 0.4	+ 7.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.1	10.0	0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	422.7	421.9	412.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
Federal	50.7	50.0	50.2	+ 1.4	+ 1.0
State	124.4	125.6	120.7	- 1.0	+ 3.1
Education	63.7	66.5	61.4	- 4.2	+ 3.7
Other	60.7	59.1	59.3	+ 2.7	+ 2.4
Local	247.6	246.3	241.2	+ 0.5	+ 2.7
Education	134.4	134.5	129.7	- 0.1	+ 3.6
Other	113.2	111.8	111.5	+ 1.3	+ 1.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983	August 1984	September 1983
MANUFACTURING	653.8	651.8	646.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
DURABLE GOODS	244.8	244.9	233.1	*	+ 5.0
Lumber & Wood Products	29.9	30.3	30.7	- 1.3	- 2.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.7	7.8	7.3	- 1.3	+ 5.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.1	3.6	- 3.2	- 16.7
Furniture & Fixtures	72.9	73.0	71.5	- 0.1	+ 2.0
Household Furniture	65.1	65.3	64.7	- 0.3	+ 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	34.0	34.3	34.0	- 0.9	0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.7	15.8	14.5	- 0.6	+ 8.3
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.2	2.0	0	+ 10.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	7.9	7.0	+ 1.3	+ 14.3
Fabricated Metal Products	18.5	18.6	18.0	- 0.5	+ 2.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	27.8	28.0	26.1	- 0.7	+ 6.5
Special Industry Machinery	5.2	5.3	5.1	- 1.9	+ 2.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	44.6	44.5	39.3	+ 0.2	+ 13.5
Household Appliances	5.3	5.4	5.4	- 1.9	- 1.9
Transportation Equipment	15.9	15.4	14.4	+ 3.2	+ 10.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	409.0	406.9	413.3	+ 0.5	- 1.0
Food & Kindred Products	31.0	30.7	30.5	+ 1.0	+ 1.6
Meat Products	15.6	15.6	14.6	0	+ 6.8
Meat Packing	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.6	1.6	- 6.2	- 6.2
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.6	2.5	2.6	+ 4.0	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.6	20.0	21.9	+ 13.0	+ 3.2
Cigarettes	14.8	14.9	14.7	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.2	4.5	6.6	+ 60.0	+ 9.1
Textile Mill Products	194.0	193.9	203.1	+ 0.1	+ 4.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	54.5	53.8	58.1	+ 1.3	- 6.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	28.2	27.5	31.2	+ 2.5	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.2	26.2	26.8	0	- 2.2
Knitting Mills	67.5	68.0	71.0	- 0.7	- 4.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.9	20.3	20.3	- 2.0	- 2.0
Hosiery, NEC	20.4	20.5	21.2	- 0.5	- 3.8
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.7	11.9	13.0	- 1.7	- 10.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.1	6.1	6.1	0	0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	11.7	11.8	12.3	- 0.8	- 4.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.4	49.5	50.7	- 0.2	- 2.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	76.6	77.4	76.9	- 1.0	- 0.4
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	25.1	25.5	24.8	- 1.6	+ 1.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.2	35.5	35.6	- 0.8	- 1.1
Paper & Allied Products	17.0	17.0	16.9	0	+ 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.9	7.9	- 1.3	- 1.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.7	5.6	5.5	+ 1.8	+ 3.6
Printing & Publishing	14.3	14.0	13.3	+ 2.1	+ 7.5
Newspapers	3.6	3.5	3.3	+ 2.9	+ 9.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	25.0	25.3	24.8	- 1.2	+ 0.8
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.7	9.9	9.8	- 2.0	- 1.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.7	24.8	21.2	- 0.4	+ 16.5
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.8	3.8	4.7	0	- 19.1

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

September, 1984

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983	September 1984	August 1984	September 1983
MANUFACTURING	$278.56	$279.40	$274.70	39.4	39.8	41.0	$7.07	$7.02	$6.70
DURABLE GOODS	296.54	294.11	284.82	40.4	40.4	41.1	7.34	7.28	6.93
Lumber & Wood Products	235.95	239.40	238.05	39.0	39.9	41.4	6.05	6.00	5.75
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	226.94	227.26	231.28	39.4	39.8	41.3	5.76	5.71	5.60
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	255.24	280.89	276.81	36.0	40.3	41.5	7.09	6.97	6.67
Furniture & Fixtures	244.34	240.03	238.98	38.6	38.1	39.5	6.33	6.30	6.05
Household Furniture	242.82	238.14	239.79	38.3	37.8	39.7	6.34	6.30	6.04
Wood Household Furniture	237.37	232.59	231.60	39.3	38.7	40.0	6.04	6.01	5.79
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	327.40	327.33	316.92	42.3	42.4	42.2	7.74	7.72	7.51
Structural Clay Products	262.98	259.53	256.61	42.9	42.2	43.2	6.13	6.15	5.94
Primary Metal Industries	354.64	357.72	338.68	44.0	44.0	43.7	8.06	8.13	7.75
Fabricated Metal Products	326.56	323.23	304.88	41.6	41.6	41.2	7.85	7.77	7.40
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	358.28	346.08	341.23	42.5	42.0	42.6	8.43	8.24	8.01
Special Industry Machinery	315.18	303.35	302.58	41.2	40.5	41.0	7.65	7.49	7.38
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	341.13	340.72	329.80	41.1	41.1	41.8	8.30	8.29	7.89
Household Appliances	285.18	264.53	272.25	42.5	39.6	43.7	6.71	6.68	6.23
Transportation Equipment	332.38	331.47	321.06	41.6	41.8	42.3	7.99	7.93	7.59
NONDURABLE GOODS	267.72	271.37	269.37	38.8	39.5	41.0	6.90	6.87	6.57
Food & Kindred Products	254.92	254.08	255.23	39.4	39.7	41.1	6.47	6.40	6.21
Meat Products	209.03	199.39	209.82	37.8	37.2	39.0	5.53	5.36	5.38
Meat Packing	356.35	296.42	323.51	44.6	38.1	42.4	7.99	7.78	7.63
Dairy Products	270.19	269.51	263.16	43.3	43.4	43.0	6.24	6.21	6.12
Grain Mill Products	298.08	311.31	303.52	43.2	44.6	44.9	6.90	6.98	6.76
Bakery Products	286.47	293.56	276.81	41.1	42.3	41.5	6.97	6.94	6.67
Beverages	486.18	495.04	473.22	44.4	45.5	46.9	10.95	10.88	10.09
Tobacco Manufacturers	404.29	423.34	391.93	39.1	37.9	38.2	10.34	11.17	10.26
Cigarettes	513.03	503.31	478.75	38.2	37.9	38.3	13.43	13.28	12.50
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	193.58	175.31	175.26	41.1	37.7	38.1	4.71	4.65	4.60
Textile Mill Products	243.28	246.48	254.33	38.8	39.5	41.9	6.27	6.24	6.07
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	276.51	275.60	282.44	39.9	40.0	42.6	6.93	6.89	6.63
Weaving Mills, Cotton	270.27	268.11	282.44	39.0	38.8	42.6	6.93	6.91	6.63
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	283.44	283.04	282.01	40.9	41.2	42.6	6.93	6.87	6.62
Knitting Mills	215.87	222.32	226.73	36.9	38.2	40.2	5.85	5.82	5.64
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	190.96	199.60	211.58	34.1	35.9	39.4	5.60	5.56	5.37
Hosiery, NEC	206.75	220.59	211.46	36.4	38.7	38.8	5.68	5.70	5.45
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	252.97	250.04	261.99	39.9	39.5	42.6	6.34	6.33	6.15
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	269.86	272.41	267.84	41.2	42.3	43.2	6.55	6.44	6.20
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	265.98	272.89	271.15	42.9	44.3	42.7	6.20	6.16	6.35
Yarn & Thread Mills	232.59	236.38	247.35	38.7	39.2	4.25	6.01	6.03	5.82
Apparel & Other Textile Products	179.00	185.63	185.37	35.8	37.2	38.3	5.00	4.99	4.84
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	174.57	189.01	180.44	34.5	36.7	36.6	5.06	5.15	4.93
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	168.98	175.38	178.01	35.5	37.0	38.2	4.76	4.74	4.66
Paper & Allied Products	469.37	471.87	470.21	43.5	44.1	45.3	10.79	10.70	10.38
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	574.21	580.29	562.73	43.9	45.3	45.9	13.08	12.81	12.26
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	339.01	334.52	346.14	43.8	43.5	46.4	7.74	7.69	7.46
Printing & Publishing	310.42	304.57	296.82	38.9	38.7	38.8	7.98	7.87	7.65
Newspapers	272.22	274.92	264.11	33.9	34.8	34.3	8.03	7.90	7.70
Chemicals & Allied Products	377.20	376.57	367.33	41.0	41.2	41.6	9.20	9.14	8.83
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	414.00	426.15	413.22	41.4	42.7	42.6	10.00	9.98	9.70
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	358.23	364.64	350.45	41.8	42.4	43.0	8.57	8.60	8.15
MINING	336.54	342.42	281.74	42.6	43.9	38.7	7.90	7.80	7.28
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	468.86	464.26	427.04	41.9	41.6	41.5	11.19	11.16	10.29
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	194.18	195.88	194.69	32.8	33.2	33.8	5.92	5.90	5.76
Wholesale Trade	291.75	292.89	276.19	38.9	39.0	39.4	7.50	7.51	7.01
Retail Trade	167.86	169.06	168.64	31.2	31.6	32.0	5.38	5.35	5.27
General Merchandise Stores	159174	148.20	147.14	31.2	29.7	30.4	5.12	4.99	4.84
Variety Stores	121.10	116.81	121.45	30.2	30.7	32.3	4.01	3.87	3.76
Food Stores	195.76	195.72	192.40	32.9	33.4	32.5	5.95	5.86	5.92
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	134.77	134.66	121.25	30.7	31.1	29.5	4.39	4.33	4.11
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	186.88	183.54	167.65	35.8	35.5	35.0	5.22	5.17	4.79

1/ Current month data are preliminary.